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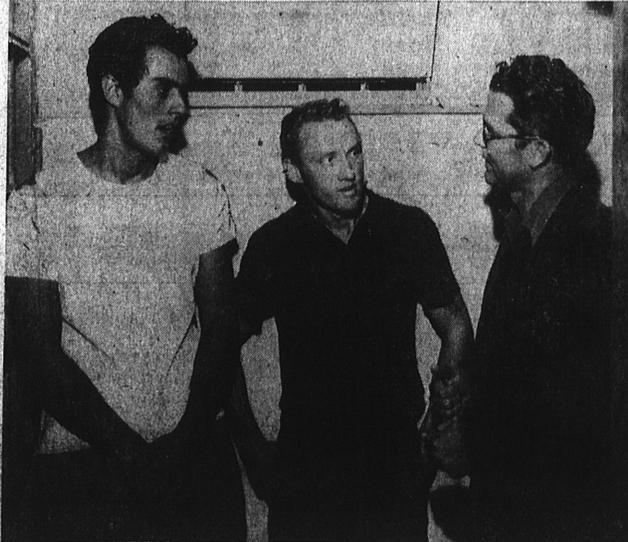
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IN HOT WATER . . . Malcolm Levinson (left) and Berkeley Holt (center) talk over their troubles with Police Sergeant D. C. Cook. The two are being held for investigation on dope and burglary charges. (Herald photo).

Pair Found Guilty In \$30,000 Holdup

Facing one to 10-year sentences this week are William McNally and Donald Madlung, who were found guilty by a Superior Court Saturday of the strong-armed \$30,000 robbery of the manager of the National Supply Employees Credit Union on April 1.

Testifying at the trial were a number of local residents including William Brill, owner of Five Points Electric Co., who told the jury that Madlung had not quit his job on the day of the robbery as he had told police.

Herald Offices To Be Closed On Labor Day

The Herald offices will be closed all day on Monday, Sept. 7, Labor Day. Headlines will remain the same for the Thursday edition, however. The display advertising deadline is at 2 p.m. and the classified at 5 p.m., both on Tuesday. The editorial deadline is noon on Wednesday; noon Tuesday for society news.

WEATHER

The Weather Bureau predicts that today will be another one of those typical Southern summer days, with low clouds this morning and mostly sunny this afternoon.

Taking the stand also was Dorothy McAndrew, former National Supply employee, who told the court she met Madlung, McNally and Paul Robert Franks, 28, a third suspect in the big robbery, in the Circus Room in Long Beach the night of the robbery. McNally had de-

Big Homecoming Party Planned For Freed POW

When Corporal Danny Arellano, for 28 months held prisoner by the Reds, comes home to Torrance on Sunday, he will get that big party he wanted.

The youth, who left Torrance High School in 1950 only to be captured in Korea a few months later, is due to arrive in San Francisco on Saturday. On Sunday afternoon and evening his many friends and more than 30 relatives here are throwing him one wing-ding of a party in the CIO Hall to celebrate his homecoming.

There will be a dinner from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., with tacos, tamales, frijoles, tortillas and maybe even a trago de tequila. And after that at 8 p.m. there'll be dancing for everyone.

That's just the way the POW wanted it, according to the few letters his family received during the two years and four months he spent in a Red prison camp.

Danny went into Korea and into combat in July of 1950. On Dec. 2 he was taken prisoner by the Reds. He is Torrance's only returning prisoner of war.

Off to meet the boat upon its arrival in San Francisco will go Danny's sister, Mrs. Dora Camou, her husband, and Danny's aunt, Mrs. Rosa Grande. The returning serviceman's mother, Mrs. Josephine Gutierrez formerly of Torrance and now living in San Jose, will meet her son and return here for the homecoming party.

After the celebration the Army corporal will spend a little time recuperating at his home at 2276 W. 203rd St.



ROYAL JAUNT . . . Off to Las Vegas by Western Airlines went blond-haired Queen Sandra, "Miss Torrance of 1953," last Saturday to spend a weekend at the fabulous "Thunderbird Hotel." Accompanying her 17-year-old daughter was Mrs. Ellen Constance. The North Torrance beauty queen, a junior at Torrance High School, won the trip to Las Vegas as well as the "Miss Torrance" title Aug. 18 at a contest sponsored by the Torrance Area Youth Band. (Herald photo).

Round the Riviera

Orphaned POW Freed By Reds in Korea

By MARY AND JACK WEBB

Lieut. William Beall, for whose name many Riverans have been scanning POW release lists, turned up this week among those servicemen who walked through the Communists' gate to freedom. A previous column of ours told you how his aunt, Mrs. William E. Beall, 418 Palms Verdes apartments, has scanned the

release lists looking for her nephew's name, and how his uncle, Navy Lieut. William E. Beall stationed in Tokyo, was keeping his eye out for his namesake's release.

Now, in the release lists published last Monday, the hoped-for came true. Lieut. Beall's father was killed in action while with the Air Force in Europe in 1944. His mother passed away shortly after the lieutenant left for overseas some two years ago. Only the Riviera Bealls and his wife, Joyce, in Georgia, remain as living relatives.

Since our last column on this story, Mrs. Beall has left her Riviera home to join her husband stationed in Tokyo. Her friends here are none the less glad for her and expressed hope today that she would be able to see and visit her nephew before he is sent home to the United States. Before her departure for overseas, Mrs. Beall expressed

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Suspect Heroin

Cause of Death of Youth, 19, Unknown

One teen-age youth is dead, believed to be a victim of an overdose of heroin, another is the object of a police dragnet, and two others are in the Torrance jail facing robbery and dope charges after one of the members squealed to the police that his pals had robbed him of \$59.

The \$59 was \$9 more than when they failed to get a "pop" the robbery victim got for selling his two pals \$50 worth of heroin which turned out to be half baking soda, according to police reports.

The county coroner's office is still investigating the mysterious death of 19-year-old Richard Rodriguez of 17518 Greenwood Blvd. An autopsy on Monday failed to disclose the cause of Rodriguez' death and may not be known for at least two weeks pending the findings of a toxicological and microscopic examination ordered by the coroner. Rodriguez was found unconscious in an apartment at 804 Cedar St. Many needle marks found on the dead youth's body led doctors at Harbor General Hospital, where he died, to believe he had died of an overdose of heroin. He was found on a couch where he apparently covered himself with a blanket to sleep off a "pop" of heroin. There were no other marks on the man's body to indicate death by violence.

Meanwhile two men, Malcolm Mayer Levinson, 18, and Berkeley Allen Holt, 24, were arrested in Hermosa Beach as they attempted to peddle a stolen car radio to Carlton Rupert, manager of the South Shore Motor Co.

Searching the Long Beach motel where they told police they lived, Det. Capt. Ernie Ashton of the Torrance Police Department and Long Beach officers discovered three heroin "fils" and 10 capsules of heroin.

Their arrest followed an all-points bulletin issued by the Torrance Police Department after Gary Lee O'Brien, 19-year-old youth complained to police that Holt and Levinson had robbed him of \$59 while visiting his uncle's home at 808 Patronella Ave. last week. Holt and Levinson told police they paid O'Brien \$50 for some heroin, but

Portable Lie Detector Tested By Torrance Police Department

If the criminally inclined around here would like a tip, here's one for free.

Torrance police are testing out a small, portable lie detector machine which appears to be unannouncedly accurate. Installed in the office of Police Chief John H. Stroh this week was a portable Mathison Electropsychometer, and department officers and matrons have been guinea pigs for the sample questioning of Chief of Police Stroh.

As a test for the machine, Stroh shows one of the officers a list of names such as Joe, Pete, Harry, Sam, etc., then asks the officer to pick out one name, then deny that the name was the one he picked. The one he was concentrating on can be singled out in a matter of a few seconds.

There could be many uses for such a machine in the local station, Stroh says. Whether the department will acquire it, however, hasn't been decided. The machine works with elec-



BRAIN READER . . . Chief of Police tries out a new portable Mathison Electropsychometer (Lie Detector) on Police Matron Regina Ryan. The local police department has been trying the machine this week to see if purchase of the device would be warranted. Chief Stroh expressed surprise at the apparent reliability of the small mechanism to pick out the truth from the untruth. (Herald photo)



WILLIAM McNALLY . . . Found Guilty

nied to police that he had seen Franks for several months. Franks, still wanted for questioning in the case, is believed to be working in a lumber camp somewhere in Canada.

Mrs. Anna Dahlin of Long Beach told the court that McNally, her nephew, had visited her home and left two suitcases there, which police later discovered contained approximately \$7325 in cash.

Testifying also were Police Chief John Stroh and Detective



DONALD MADLUNG . . . Faces 1 to 10 Years

Captain Ernie Ashton of the Torrance Police Dept. Approximately \$13,000 has been recovered in what was the biggest robbery in the history of Torrance.

Meanwhile, Joe Alden, of Lomita, the victim of the hold-up who confessed embezzling \$7288 of the credit union funds following the robbery, is winding up a six-month sentence for embezzlement.

McNally, a 24-year-old ex-convict, surrendered to police last May. Madlung, also 24, was arrested in a hotel in Sedro Woolley, Wash., and was returned here by Capt. Ashton.

Judge David Coleman, Department 39 of the Los Angeles Superior Court, will pass sentence on the two convicted holdup men Sept. 24.

Sister of City Clerk Dies, Rites Tomorrow

Grace Bartlett, sister of Torrance City Clerk A. H. Bartlett, passed away Tuesday night in Garden Grove.

Funeral services will be held tomorrow at 10:30 a.m. in Blow-er's Mortuary in Santa Ana. Mrs. Bartlett was a former long-time resident of Torrance.

Burglars Have Field Day in North Torrance

Burglars had a field day again in North Torrance over the week-end, according to complaints called in to the Torrance police station.

William Steigelman, of 4031 W. 173rd St., told police that he found his house had been ransacked when he returned from a show about midnight Saturday.

Johnnie Mae Hanno, of 4137 W. 173rd St., said her house had been broken into, a pair of field glasses dropped on the lawn, and her garden hose cut into short lengths sometime Sunday.

Edward M. Nobbe, of 4143 W. 174th St., reported to police that someone entered a bedroom window and rifled valuables from purses of guests at a party. A five-dollar bill was found on the ground under the window.

This happened sometime Saturday night or early Sunday, Nobbe said.

William Ensor of 3128 W. (Continued on Page 2)

Name Hog Raiser In Complaint Issued by City

A complaint charging that a West Torrance hog rancher was maintaining a nuisance was filed by the City of Torrance Tuesday in the South Bay Municipal Court.

Named in the complaint was Francis Foley, operator-owner of Foley's Hog Ranch at Spencer St. and Madrona Ave., according to City Attorney James M. Hall who prepared the complaint.

The action climaxes a drive spearheaded by Councilman Willys G. Blount who has sought to close local hog ranches stating, "Torrance is a big city now. The filth and stench of hog ranches must go!"

The move by the city will give Blount some tangible evidence of action by the local government officials to report to a group of Torrance Gardeners and Plaza Homeowners who were scheduled to meet with the Torrance City Council last night.

The homeowners' group demanded the closing of two hog ranches located a short distance to the west of a section of new homes in Torrance Gardens.

Foley was cited as violating section 373A of the Penal Code. The complaint against him was filed after the city attorney (Continued on Page 2)

Little League Benefit Dance Set for Sept 5

Little League's parents, friends and boosters will hold a benefit dance Sept. 5 at the Hollywood Riviera Beach Club. It was announced this week by Doug Mohr, president.

A \$1 donation will admit attendees to hear the music of Louis Gonzales' orchestra, from Long Beach. Tickets can be purchased from any Little League boy or at the door on the night of the dance.